

United States Mint to Release Fifth American Eagle Platinum Coin in “Preamble Series” on July 18

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WASHINGTON — The United States Mint will accept orders for the fifth coin in its American Eagle Platinum Proof Coin Program “Preamble Series” on July 18 at noon Eastern Time (ET). The series, launched in 2009, features coins with reverse (tails side) designs that commemorate the core concepts of American democracy by recognizing the six principles of the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution.

The reverse design of the 2013 coin is emblematic of the theme “*To Promote the General Welfare*,” the fifth principle in the Preamble. The design, by United States Mint Artistic Infusion Program Master Designer Joel Iskowitz, depicts Young America against a backdrop of interlocking gears, symbolizing the interconnection of power between the states and the national government. The design also includes an American Eagle privy mark from an original “coin punch” identified at the United States Mint at Philadelphia. The coin’s obverse (heads side) design, by former United States Mint Sculptor–Engraver John Mercanti, features Lady Liberty, a symbol of vigilance and resolute faithfulness to duty. The coins are struck at the United States Mint at West Point.

The reverse designs in the Preamble Series are inspired by narratives prepared by the Chief Justice of the United States at the request of the United States Mint. Design themes of previously released coins were: “*To Form a More Perfect Union*” (2009), “*To Establish Justice*” (2010), “*To Insure Domestic Tranquility*” (2011), and “*To Provide for the Common Defence*” (2012). The final coin in the series, reflecting the design theme “*To Secure the Blessings of Liberty to Ourselves and our Posterity*,” will be released in 2014.

Mintage for the 2013 American Eagle Platinum Proof Coin (product code GA7) is set at 15,000 units. Orders will be limited to five coins per household for the first week of sales. At the end of this period, the bureau will re-evaluate this limit and either extend, adjust, or remove it.

Pricing for the coin will be based on the bureau’s policy for numismatic products containing gold and platinum. Current pricing information is available at <http://catalog.usmint.gov/faqs-top-questions/payment-processing-charges-pricing.html>.

The United States Mint will accept orders at its online catalog, <http://www.usmint.gov/catalog>, and at 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468). Hearing- and speech-impaired customers with TTY equipment may order by calling 1-888-321-MINT (6468). A shipping and handling charge of \$4.95 will be added to all domestic orders.

The United States Mint was created by Congress in 1792 and became part of the Department of the Treasury in 1873. It is the Nation’s sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces numismatic products, including proof, uncirculated, and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver and gold bullion coins. The United States Mint’s numismatic programs are self-sustaining and operate at no cost to the taxpayer.

Note: To ensure that all members of the public have fair and equal access to United States Mint products, orders placed prior to the official on-sale date and time of July 18, 2013, noon ET shall not be deemed accepted by the United States Mint and will not be honored. For more information, please review the United States Mint’s Frequently Asked Questions, Answer ID #175.

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